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Section 1. Introduction

Population totals recorded by field personnel during the taking of the Census of 30 June 1966 have been published in Field Count Statement No. 2 issued on 22 July 1967.

This bulletin contains details of the characteristics of the population of Nauru compiled from Householder's Schedules. The figures are preliminary and subject to amendment.

Persons having diplomatic immunity (diplomatic and home-based staff of diplomatic missions, and their families) are not included.

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in percentages in tables are due to rounding.

Section 2. General

TABLE 1. - POPULATION : NAURU

CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Census, 30 June 1961			Census, 30 June 1966			Intercensal increase
Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	
3,019	1,594	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	1,444

Section 3. Age

At the 1966 Census persons were asked to state age in accordance with the following instructions.

> "State age in years and completed months. If aged under one year, state age in completed months (for example, a child of eleven months should be shown as "0" years "11" months). If aged under one month, write "0" years "0" months."

This question is more specific than that asked at the 1961 Census, which sought "age last birthday" (in years). The change should overcome some mis-statement of age due to rounding. Similarly, it is expected that confusion in the reporting of ages of young children (which are conventionally thought of in "months" up to the age of about two years) should now be largely obviated.

Prior to the 1954 Census ages "not stated" were distributed to specific ages in accordance with the frequency of stated ages. In the 1954 and later Censuses, "not stated" ages were individually estimated prior to tabulation by firstly establishing the minimum range of ages within which the "not stated" age most probably lay (as indicated by other information supplied in the Householder's Schedule) and by then selecting an age from within that range from a table of random ages according to sex. This table had been compiled previously using the latest estimates of the age distribution of the population which were available at the time.

The proportion of persons who failed to state an age is very small.

TABLE 2. - POPULATION, BY AGE (GROUPED AGES) (a) : NAURU

CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Age last birthday (years)	Census, 30 June 1961			Census, 30 June 1966				
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons		
						Total	Per cent of total	Intercensal increase or decrease
0-4	335	346	681	521	474	995	16.43	314
5-9	308	296	604	410	398	808	13.34	204
10-14	213	192	405	323	294	617	10.19	212
15-19	135	59	194	195	174	369	6.09	175
20-24	397	114	511	337	135	472	7.79	-39
25-29	376	145	521	438	215	653	10.78	132
30-34	367	117	484	378	187	565	9.33	81
35-39	272	98	370	364	158	522	8.62	152
40-44	237	79	316	260	102	362	5.98	46
45-49	171	48	219	223	79	302	4.99	83
50-54	94	28	122	110	55	165	2.72	43
55-59	58	33	91	66	24	90	1.49	-1
60-64	31	17	48	41	26	67	1.11	19
65-69	11	11	22	22	18	40	0.66	18
70-74	9	6	15	8	11	19	0.31	4
75-79	..	4	4	6	3	9	0.15	5
80-84	3	1	4	1	1	2	0.03	-2
85-89	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	-2
90-94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
95-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	3,019	1,594	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	100.00	1,444
Under 21	1,070	912	1,982	1,497	1,362	2,859	47.20	877
21-64	1,924	660	2,584	2,169	959	3,128	51.64	544
65 & over	25	22	47	37	33	70	1.16	23
TOTAL NAURU	3,019	1,594	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	100.00	1,444

(a) Recorded ages adjusted by the distribution of ages "not stated".

NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Section 4. Marital Status

At the 1966 Census, persons were asked to state marital status in accordance with the following instructions.

> "If never married, write "N.M."; at present married, write"M"; married but permanently separated (legally or otherwise), write "P.S."; divorced and not remarried, write "D"; widowed and not remarried, write "W"."

A very small proportion of persons omitted to state any marital status. In such cases, marital status was assessed as follows.

> Males under 20 years of age and females under 18 years of age were classified "never married" unless there was definite evidence of marriage given in the Schedule, in which case they were classified "married". All other persons were classified "married" if there was any evidence of marriage given in the Schedule. Otherwise a marital status was allocated from a random list according to the age and sex of the person concerned. The random list for the allocation of "not stated" marital status had been compiled previously using the latest available statistics of the distribution of the population by marital status.

TABLE 3. - POPULATION, BY MARITAL STATUS : NAURU

CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Marital status	Census, 30 June 1961			Census, 30 June 1966			
						Persons	
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Total	Inter-censal increase or decrease
Never married -							
Under 15 years of age	856	834	1,690	1,254	1,166	2,420	730
15 years of age and over	1,081	163	1,244	935	275	1,210	-34
Total	1,937	997	2,934	2,189	1,441	3,630	696
Married	996	529	1,525	1,388	842	2,230	705
Married but permanently separated (a)	14	14	28	19	12	31	3
Divorced	7	3	10	52	6	58	48
Widowed	65	51	116	55	53	108	-8
GRAND TOTAL	3,019	1,594	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	1,444

(a) Legally or otherwise.

NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Section 5. Birthplace

At the 1966 Census persons were asked to state birthplace in accordance with the following instructions.

"For persons born in Australia write the name of the State or Territory where born. For persons born outside Australia write the name of the country where born (not town or locality)."

For the small number of cases where no reply was given the allocation of a birthplace was made in accordance with other information on the Schedule (usually nationality).

TABLE 4. - POPULATION, BY BIRTHPLACE : NAURU
CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Birthplace	Census, 30 June 1961 Persons	Census, 30 June 1966			Intercensal increase or decrease
		Males	Females	Persons	
AUSTRALASIA -					
Nauru	2,546	1,652	1,500	3,152	606
Australia	205	141	151	292	87
New Zealand	15	12	9	21	6
Other countries in Australasia	5	5	5	10	5
Total born in Australasia	2,771	1,810	1,665	3,475	704
EUROPE -					
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland	48	34	20	54	6
Other Countries in Europe	85	14	4	18	-67
Total born in Europe	133	48	24	72	-61
ASIA	683	897	180	1,077	394
AFRICA	2	2	1	3	1
AMERICA	2	..	1	1	-1
PACIFIC ISLANDS (N.E.I.)	1,022	946	483	1,429	407
Total born outside Nauru	2,067	2,051	854	2,905	838
Total born in Nauru	2,546	1,652	1,500	3,152	606
GRAND TOTAL	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	1,444

NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Section 6. Period of Residence in Nauru

Persons who were born outside Nauru were asked to state their period of residence in Nauru in accordance with the following instructions.

"For persons born outside Nauru write the number of completed years of continuous residence in Nauru ignoring absences of less than twelve months. If resident less than twelve months, write "0"."

TABLE 5. - OVERSEAS BORN POPULATION, BY PERIOD OF RESIDENCE IN NAURU, NUMBERS AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION: NAURU
CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Period of residence in Nauru (years)	Census, 30 June 1961 Persons	Census, 30 June 1966			Proportion of overseas born population		Intercensal increase or decrease
		Males	Females	Persons	1961	1966	
					%	%	
Under 1 year	436	441	111	552	21.09	19.00	116
1 and under 2	237	240	156	396	11.47	13.63	159
2 " " 3	311	369	325	694	15.05	23.89	383
3 " " 4	206	149	25	174	9.97	5.99	-32
4 " " 5	233	197	26	223	11.27	7.68	-10
5 years and over	607	564	157	721	29.37	24.82	114
Not stated	37	91	54	145	1.79	4.99	108
Total born outside Nauru	2,067	2,051	854	2,905	100.00	100.00	838

NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Section 7. Nationality

At the 1966 Census persons were asked to state nationality in accordance with the following instructions.

> "State nationality or citizenship of the person in relation to the country to which he or she owes legal allegiance, for example: "Australian", "British", "French", "Stateless", etc. If Australian or British by naturalization, write "Australian" or "British"."

The tables in this section relate to nationality rather than to citizenship and consequently the category "British" includes all persons who, by virtue of the Nationality and Citizenship Act, 1948-1966, are deemed to be British subjects. Under Section 7 of the Act this includes citizens of: "(a) the United Kingdom and Colonies; (b) Canada; (c) New Zealand; (d) the Union of South Africa; (e) India; (f) Pakistan; (g) Ceylon; (h) the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland; (i) Ghana; (j) the Federation of Malaya; (k) the State of Singapore."

Also included as "British" are persons who, under the Nationality and Citizenship Act 1948-1966, are Australian citizens or citizens of any other country declared by Regulation 5A of the Citizenship Regulations to be "a country within the Commonwealth of Nations". These are the Federation of Nigeria, the Republic of Cyprus, Sierra Leone, Tanganyika, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Jamaica and Malaysia.

Additionally for the purposes of these tables Irish Nationality is included with British.

In the small number of cases where nationality was not stated allocation of a selected nationality was made in accordance with other information on the Schedule (usually birthplace).

TABLE 6. - POPULATION, BY NATIONALITY : NAURU

CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Nationality	Census, 30 June 1961 Persons	Census, 30 June 1966			Intercensal increase
		Males	Females	Persons	
BRITISH (a)					
Born in Nauru	2,546	1,652	1,500	3,152	606
Born outside Nauru	1,471	1,156	680	1,836	365
Total British	4,017	2,808	2,180	4,988	971
FOREIGN	596	895	174	1,069	473
GRAND TOTAL	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	1,444

(a) See text in section 7.

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Section 8. Religion

At the 1966 Census persons were asked to state their religion in accordance with the following instructions.

"State the full name of the religious denomination. (There is no penalty for failure to answer this question.)"

Section 21 of the Census and Statistics Act, 1905-1966 provides that "No person shall be liable to any penalty for omitting or refusing to state the religious denomination or sect to which he belongs or adheres."

Owing to the very large numbers of persons who take advantage of the voluntary nature of the question and who failed to give any particulars regarding religion at the 1966 Census and at the three preceding Censuses, it is not possible to define precisely the composition of the population in terms of religious creed; neither is it possible to make entirely satisfactory intercensal comparisons of the numbers of persons adhering to the various religious denominations.

TABLE 7. - POPULATION, BY RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION, NUMBERS AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION NAURU, CENSUSES, 1961 AND 1966

Religion	Census, 30 June 1961 Persons	Census, 30 June 1966			Proportion of total population		Intercensal increase or decrease
		Males	Females	Persons	1961	1966	
					%	%	
CHRISTIAN -							
Baptist	3	1	4	5	0.07	0.08	2
Brethren	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Catholic, Roman (a)	717	314	275	589	15.54	9.72	-128
Catholic (a)	422	357	285	642	9.15	10.60	220
Churches of Christ	1	6	1	7	0.02	0.12	6
Church of England	131	82	88	170	2.84	2.81	39
Congregational	1,931	1,029	723	1,752	41.86	28.93	-179
Orthodox	..	..	1	1	..	0.02	1
Lutheran	38	3	2	5	0.82	0.08	-33
Methodist	35	13	17	30	0.76	0.50	-5
Presbyterian	37	24	27	51	0.80	0.84	14
Salvation Army	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Seventh-day Adventist	3	..	..	..	0.07	..	-3
Protestant (undefined)	332	509	431	940	7.20	15.52	608
Other (including Christian undefined)	1	69	54	123	0.02	2.03	122
Total Christian	3,651	2,407	1,908	4,315	79.15	71.24	664
NON-CHRISTIAN -							
Hebrew	1	..	..	..	0.02	..	-1
Other	..	13	8	21	..	0.35	21
Total Non-Christian	1	13	8	21	0.02	0.35	20
Indefinite	11	110	17	127	0.24	2.10	116
No religion	1	6	4	10	0.02	0.17	9
No reply	949	1,167	417	1,584	20.57	26.15	635
GRAND TOTAL	4,613	3,703	2,354	6,057	100.00	100.00	1,444

(a) As stated in individual Census Schedules. NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

Section 9. Work Force

At the 1961 and previous Censuses the work force was determined as:

"Those who are engaged in an industry, business, profession, trade or service at the time of the Census (including those on long service leave, etc.) ....."; and

"..... those out of a job at time of the Census but who are usually engaged in an industry, business, profession, trade or service ....."

At the 1966 Census an additional set of four questions was asked in order to obtain information on the basis of which the work force could be determined more precisely. The questions were as follows.

"Did the person have a job or business of any kind last week (even though he may have been temporarily absent from it)? ANSWER "YES" or "NO"."

"Did the person do any work at all last week for payment or profit? ANSWER "YES" or "NO". Persons working without pay as a helper in a "family business" or farm and members of the clergy and of religious orders (other than purely contemplative orders) should answer "YES" to this question. Persons doing only unpaid housework should answer "NO"."

"Was the person temporarily laid off by his employer without pay for the whole of last week? ANSWER "YES" or "NO"."

"Did the person look for work last week? ANSWER "YES" or "NO". (Note. "Looking for work" means (i) being registered with Commonwealth Employment Service, or (ii) approaching prospective employers, or (iii) placing or answering advertisements, or (iv) writing letters of application, or (v) awaiting the result of recent applications.)"

The work force includes persons for whom the answer "yes" was given to any one of these four questions. Except that persons helping but not receiving wages or a salary who usually worked less than 15 hours a week were excluded from the work force.

This approach conforms closely to the recommendations of the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians held in Geneva in 1954 and the information so obtained has been used in determining the work force for the purposes of the 1966 Census.

Section 10. Occupational Status

Persons in the work force were asked to state occupational status in accordance with the following instructions.

"If working for wages or salary (including apprentices), write "W".
If conducting own business or profession and not at present employing others, write "O".
If conducting own business or profession and at present employing others, write "E".
If helping but not receiving wages or salary, write "H".
If looking for first job, write "F"."

Persons not in the work force were asked to state activity in accordance with the following instructions.

"Persons not engaged in an industry, business, profession, trade or service.
For - Children not attending school, write "C". Full-time students or children attending school, write "S". Mainly dependent on pension or superannuation, write "P". Of independent means, write "M". Engaged in unpaid home duties, write "H.D.". Inmates of institutions (e.g., for invalids and the aged, gaols, reformatories, etc.), write "I". Others not engaged in industry, etc., write "N.A.". (Young persons seeking work but not previously employed, write "O" in answer to this question.)"

TABLE 8. - POPULATION, BY OCCUPATIONAL STATUS, NUMBERS AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION

NAURU, CENSUS, 30 JUNE 1966

Occupational status	Males	Females	Persons	Percentage distribution		
				Males	Females	Persons
				%	%	%
IN WORK FORCE -						
Employed -						
Employer	1	1	2	0.03	0.04	0.03
Self-employed	3	2	5	0.08	0.08	0.08
Employee on wage or salary	2,263	211	2,474	61.11	8.96	40.85
Helper, unpaid	..	2	2	..	0.08	0.03
Total employed	2,267	216	2,483	61.22	9.18	40.99
Unemployed	17	4	21	0.46	0.17	0.35
Total in work force	2,284	220	2,504	61.68	9.35	41.34
NOT IN WORK FORCE -						
Child not at school	535	487	1,022	14.45	20.69	16.87
Child attending school or full-time student	767	731	1,498	20.71	31.05	24.73
Mainly dependent on pension or superannuation	21	21	42	0.57	0.89	0.69
Of independent means	1	3	4	0.03	0.13	0.07
Home duties	..	840	840	..	35.68	13.87
Inmates of institutions	7	..	7	0.19	..	0.12
Other not in work force	88	52	140	2.38	2.21	2.31
Total not in work force	1,419	2,134	3,553	38.32	90.65	58.66
GRAND TOTAL	3,703	2,354	6,057	100.00	100.00	100.00

Section 11. Occupation

Persons in the work force were asked to state occupation in accordance with the following instructions.

> "State in precise (or award) terms the person's main occupation last week, using where possible two or more words. For example, "Builder's Labourer", "Dairy Farm Hand", "Clothing Machinist", "Wood Machinist", "Motor Mechanic", "Electrical Fitter", "Coal Wheeler", "Dairy Farmer", etc. Employees of Government Departments or Authorities should be described by their official designation, such as "District Employment Officer", "Shire Clerk", etc., and not by such terms as "Public Servant", etc."

TABLE 9. - POPULATION, BY OCCUPATION : NAURU

CENSUS, 30 JUNE 1966

NOTE. Occupation major groups used in this table are contained in the 1966 Classification and Classified List of Occupations published by this Bureau.

Occupation (major groups)	Census, 30 June 1966			Proportion of total work force
	Males	Females	Persons	
				%
Professional, technical and related workers	115	114	229	9.15
Administrative, executive and managerial workers	21	1	22	0.88
Clerical workers	105	26	131	5.23
Sales workers	33	8	41	1.64
Farmers, fishermen, hunters, timber getters and related workers	3	..	3	0.12
Miners, quarrymen and related workers	848	..	848	33.87
Workers in transport and communication occupations	139	1	140	5.59
Craftsmen, production-process workers and labourers, n.e.c.	839	2	841	33.59
Service, sport and recreation workers	161	53	214	8.55
Members of armed services	..	..	..	..
Occupation inadequately described or not stated	20	15	35	1.40
TOTAL IN THE WORK FORCE	2,284	220	2,504	100.00

Section 12. Industry

Persons in the work force were asked to state industry in accordance with the following instructions.

> "State the exact branch of industry, business or service in which mainly engaged last week, using two or more words where possible. For example, "Dairy Farming", "Coal Mining", "Woollen Mills", "Retail Grocery", "Road Construction", etc. Employees should state the industry of their employer. For example, a carpenter employed by a coal mining company should state "Coal Mining". If employed by a Government Department or other public body, state also its name. For paid housekeepers and domestic servants in private households, write "P.H."."

From the answers to this question, persons were classified according to the Bureau's "Classification of Industries" which provides for each person to be classified according to the nature of the business in which mainly engaged, regardless of whether operated by a government authority, corporation or individual.

TABLE 10. - POPULATION, BY INDUSTRY : NAURU

CENSUS, 30 JUNE 1966

NOTE. Industry major groups used in this table are contained in the 1966 Classification and Classified List of Industries published by this Bureau.

Industry (major group)	Census, 30 June 1966			Proportion of total work force
	Males	Females	Persons	
				%
Primary production	2	..	2	0.08
Mining and quarrying	1,692	33	1,725	68.89
Manufacturing	2	..	2	0.08
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services (production, supply and maintenance)	1	..	1	0.04
Building and construction	173	..	173	6.91
Transport and storage	11	..	11	0.44
Communication	11	..	11	0.44
Finance and property	1	..	1	0.04
Commerce	73	14	87	3.47
Public authority (n.e.i.) and defence services	125	23	148	5.91
Community and business services (including professional)	165	122	287	11.46
Amusement, hotels and other accommodation, cafes, personal service, etc.	8	13	21	0.84
Other industries	..	..	..	..
Industry inadequately described or not stated	20	15	35	1.40
TOTAL IN THE WORK FORCE	2,284	220	2,504	100.00

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